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**PATENT**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:  
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For: METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR  
ISOLATING SMALL RNA MOLECULES

Group Art Unit: 1651

Examiner: Kim, Taeyoon

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**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME; REQUEST FOR CONTINUED  
EXAMINATION; AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL  
OFFICE ACTION DATED MARCH 10, 2008**

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Commissioner:

Applicant submits this response to the Final Office Action mailed March 10, 2008 (the "Office Action"). This response is timely filed since this response is also a Request for an Extension of Time of two months to and including August 10, 2008. Should a further extension of time be required, this response is such a request. This response is being filed with a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. §1.114. The Commissioner is authorized to charge the fee for a Request for Continued Examination (\$405) and the fee for a two-month extension of time (\$230), for a total of \$635, and any further fees due for the filing of the present document to Ambion Inc. Deposit Account No. 50-4140/6539US. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of all outstanding objections and rejections.

**A Listing of Claims** begins on page 2.

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